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From 071900DAPR04 to 081900DAPR04

**I MEF SITUATION REPORT**

DTG: 082200DAPR04

1. **Commander's Assessment:** This is the third straight day of sustained AIF activity IVO Ramadi & Fallujah. Initial HUMINT reports are starting to identify individuals/mosques responsible for the attacks IVO Ramadi. As a result, (b) (6) Mosque was detained by 2/4. The (b) (6) was detained from his residence for inciting attacks against the coalition.

RCT-1 elements continue to maintain on alert in the N. Babil and continue to establish a strong presence to eliminate (b) (6) Militia from conducting operations in the MEF battlespace. Recent reporting continues to identify possible Mujahideen preparing for additional attacks in and around Ar Ramadi, to include possible suicide/VBIED attacks.

There were numerous demonstrations and crowds gathering in Ar Ramadi and near the cloverleaf in Fallujah. A few in the Fallujah demonstration carried signs with (b) (6) picture. Earlier today there were an estimated 100 vehicles backed up at a traffic checkpoint in the cloverleaf. The vehicles were searched for weapons and explosives before being allowed into Fallujah. 1st MARDIV cleared the cloverleaf area to prevent riotous crowds from gathering. Operations are ongoing.

RCT-7, with consultation and cooperation from Iraqi Border police, closed the border precluding movement from Syria into Iraq. TF 3/4 has linked up with RCT-1 to provide reinforcement for operations in and around Fallujah.

Two different groups of civilian contractors were attacked in the last 24 hours. In total, there were two civilian contractors killed and 3 civilians wounded. Neither movement was coordinated with I MEF. This is a reminder that all ground movements within the I MEF AOR need to be fully coordinated to ensure force protection and adequate security.

There were 5 IED attacks in the last 24 hours, with three out of the five being neutralized prior to detonation. Of note, an EOD robot was destroyed during the neutralization of one of these IED's. There have been two EOD robots destroyed in the last few days during EOD operations to clear IED's. However, the robots have certainly minimized casualties to MEF forces and are a much needed resource.

Currently the MEF is engaged in significant offensive operations in Fallujah and Ramadi. Outside these cities there were 23 attacks in the last 24 hours. Of those attacks, 8 were IDF, 5 were IED and 10 were small arms and RPG attacks. Of note, all indirect fire attacks in the last 24 have been ineffective resulting in no injury to personnel or damage to equipment. Thus far, the MEF has reported 5 USMC WIA and 1 confirmed USMC KIA. In addition, there were 4 ICDC WIA and 1 X ICDC KIA. There have been 12 confirmed EKIA and 2 E WIA. Complete reports of enemy casualties are difficult to ascertain due to ongoing combat operations. We also have detained 9 IZ males during the last 24 hours.

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We will continue to conduct offensive operations in Fallujah and Ramadi to ensure the establishment of order, and the defeat of ACF. We remain alert to any indications of Madhi Army activity in zone.

**Intelligence Overview of the AO:** Activity in the AO continues at increased levels. During the past 24 hours Marines tightened the cordon around Fallujah. ACF have shown a significant level of determination and demonstrate a willingness to stand and fight. Assess a majority of the mujahadeen left Fallujah on word of the impending attack following the 31 March murders of four contractors. A well-organized large-scale attack on Marines in Ar Ramadi marked the de-facto creation of a "second front" along with the fighting in Fallujah. Reports indicate mujahadeen reinforcements from the eastern part of the AO are entering Ramadi to reinforce Fallujah insurgents. HUMINT indicates possible near-term VBIED attacks in Ramadi and Fallujah. ACF continue to use mosques to incite violence and as staging areas and possible command posts. ACF use the Euphrates River for staging and movement of fighters, weapons and supplies to and from Fallujah. As the start of Arbaeen nears, spectacular attacks on high-profile targets are likely. Mahdi Army members established checkpoints near Musayyib. These checkpoints are likely set up to facilitate the reinforcement of other elements in An Najaf, but may also serve as security elements in support of Arbaeen and to deter extremists who would target Shi'a during the pilgrimage. With multiple indications of impending attacks against the Shi'a during the Arbaeen pilgrimage, expect increased military and political activity in the near term by both moderate and extremist Shia groups in response to immediate security concerns.

(See current I MEF INTSUM for further details).

## 2. Current Ops:

- 1<sup>st</sup> MarDiv – The demonstrated unreliability of Iraqi security forces has precluded us from putting an Iraqi face on our operations in Fallujah. Our initial plans called for the integration of the 2d New Iraqi Army Bn, two local ICDC Bns, local police, 36th ICDC Bn into our conops. The desertion of the 2d NIA battalion, reported as the best in the NIA, has significantly reduced our flexibility and diminished the possibility that we can do so. We have integrated elements of the 36<sup>th</sup> and 506<sup>th</sup> ICDC Bns into our ops to the extent possible; 36<sup>th</sup> ICDC may prove to be the only reliable Iraqi units we have. The 506<sup>th</sup> ICDC mans battle positions on the outskirts of the city, they require constant supervision and are not trusted by my commanders. The competence and loyalty of the local police are also suspect and we have evidence of treachery. We will continue to pursue the integration of ISF into our combat ops in Fallujah proper, but I am not confident this can be achieved on a significant scale. We face similar challenges elsewhere in our AO. To that end, I have directed my staff to conduct a full reevaluation of our plans to train, organize, equip, and integrate ISF. The assumptions we made concerning the ability of the ISF to conduct integrated operations and subsequently operate independently with our forces in overwatch no longer obtain. The assessment of ISF will be done in conjunction with the revalidation of our overall planning assumptions as per the 07APR intentions message. That said, there are some positive indications. We have identified certain ICDC units, particularly in the N Babil province, who appear to be motivated, well trained and well led. These units will receive the focus of our money and equipment, while we reassess our approach to the unreliable units. Needless to say, developing a realistic and effective approach to the development of the ISF is the foundation of a stable Iraq as we move toward transition.

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The current tempo and widespread enemy surge across our AO has this division stretched. We are moving aggressively against the enemy across our zone but there are enemy forces operating in areas where we have no forces and the Iraqi security forces are impotent. We lack sufficient forces to fully address the enemy in the area north of Camp Fallujah (vic of Al Karma), Jurf Al Sukr/Northern Babil and the rocket belt south of Fallujah/Abu Gharayb prison. We will address those enemies once we free up forces so we can destroy their sanctuaries. Additional forces to C2 the northern Babil fight; (a reg't HQ), a tank Co (personnel only); and one USMC infantry Bn have been requested by sepcor.

Operating principle reminder: Destruction is the only end state for those that oppose us.

Blue Diamond recognizes the sacrifice of PFC Christopher Mabry, 2d Bn 4th Marines KIA in Ar Ramadi Iraq, and Capt Brent Morel, 1st Recon Bn KIA Fallujah Iraq, 07Apr 2004

• **Actions during previous 24 hours:**

- RCT-1: RCT-1 remains the main effort and is fully engaged in Fallujah.
- Cordon maintained around Fallujah, with only women, children and humanitarian supplies allowed in and out of the city.
- Elements of 36th and 506th ICDC Bn's are integrated into the Marine Bn's although the reliability of the 506th is still in question.
- 2/1 remains the main effort and conducted raids and patrols from the city's NW sector with elements of 36th ICDC performing well today
- 1/5 attacked from the SE sector of Fallujah and continued to push toward the SW.
- Sharp fighting throughout the day with in direct fire attacks from the city center remaining the enemy's most common mode of engagement.
- Once again, 1/5 received fire from a mosque as the enemy continues to show no respect for Muslim places of worship.
- This action and our proportionate response after taking five Marines wounded resulted in damage to the mosque.
- RCT-1 completed planning for receipt of 3/4 TACON.
- After completion of briefs and orientation, 3/4 will conduct raids and patrols in the NE sector, and o/o assume the ME.
- 1-32 In and 2/2 continued their focus on supporting Arbaeen pilgrimage security with QRF and VCP support to the ISF and conducted active patrolling ops against growing enemy threat in N Babil.
- Recon Bn was ambushed and fought against a well-disposed enemy using refined TTPs. Co Cmdr killed in the fighting that resulted in numerous EKIA.
- Route Mobile past Fallujah is open but off-ramps into Fallujah are blocked.
- Recommend that routes Golden and Lincoln be declared "Red" and closed to military traffic due to enemy situation.
- 1BCT:
  - 2/4 and 1BCT QRF engaged in house to house fighting in Ar Ramadi with multiple small unit actions fought throughout the city commanded by the 1BCT Cdr and the fwd cmd group.
  - This appears to be the same type of determined enemy that was fought yesterday.
  - 2/4 and 1BCT QRF cleared the area and killed 18 EKIA during the engagement.

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- On 08Apr 2/4 conducted ops against (b) (6) (b) (6) -4 males detained, one is believed to be (b) (6)
- In receipt of 1MarDiv FragO directing apprehension of local imams who called for action against CF during the 06Apr engagement; follow on searches of the mosques with IP/ICDC in the lead are also planned for Saturday.
- Delay is to provide IP opportunity to take down the imams as (b) (6) has requested.
- Mosques will not be seized or damaged but will be searched for contraband and items of intelligence value.
- The U.S. operation to apprehend the imams and search the mosques will only be conducted if parallel efforts by the Al Anbar governor and police are unsuccessful.
- RCT-7: In receipt of division warning order to chop 3/4 TACON to RCT-1 in support of Fallujah ops.
  - 3/4 advon departed Al Asad enroute RCT 1 072000 Apr 04; main body will link up with RCT 1 NLT 081120 APR 04.
  - 2/7 to assume 3/4 AO, stretching 2/7 to utmost while attempting to allocate sufficient combat power to destroy growing enemy threat in Hit.
  - Once RIP complete, force posture in 2/7 AO will be 1 rifle Co Camp Rawah, 1 eng Plt (provinf) at ASP Wolf, 1 arty Btry (provinf) Camp Haditha, 1 rifle Co Camp Hit, 1 wpns Co maintaining ASR Bronze security and Bn reserve, 1 boat det stationed Haditha.
  - Will maintain VCP vic Hit and Muhammadi on ASR Bronze; permanent VCP on ASR Silver N and S of Akashat, and snap VCP on MSR Mobile.
  - RCT-7 continues interrogation of HVT's and exploitation of actionable intel.
  - Syrian border remains closed IOT maintain sufficient combat power to deal with worsening enemy sit in Husabayah and block/deter enemy reinforcements.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW –
  - **Commander's Assessment:** 3d MAW remains green in all mission areas.
 

I remain very proud of the accomplishments that each of you have attained, as individuals and most importantly, as fighting units. Our resolve is being tested. Our ground brethren, heavily engaged in house-house urban warfare, remain confident in our ability to support them when and where they need it. Your Commandant and Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps were grateful for the informative visit they spent in Iraq with I MEF and pass on that they will tell the leadership of our nation the tremendous job you are accomplishing here.
  - **Actions during previous 24 hours:**
    - MAG-16 continues to support combat operations. Flights flown in support of I MEF and 3d MAW.
    - Multiple CASEVAC and strip alert assets launched from Taqaddum (TQ) ISO VR.
- 1<sup>st</sup> FSSG
  - **Commander's Assessment:** In our support for the operations in both Fallujah and Ramadi, we are concentrating on classes of supply critical to the fight. Ammunition continues to be pushed to both locations. We are coordinating with COSCOM to insure the correct DoDICs are available and pushed. Close coordination with the TMCC at 1MarDiv

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continues to insure proper routes are used for all movements. Understand 1MarDiv assessment of ASR Lincoln and Golden and will consider those routes closed. Problems have arisen with the reliability of our host nation transportation assets, Al Anbar Trucking Association. Like other contracted support, AATA workers did not show for work. This highlights the requirement for a direct link from 1FSSG to the 298th CSB, currently here at Taqaddum, to reinforce our general support transportation requirements. Utilization of CH-53s to push supplies to the west has served to facilitate freeing up critical line haul capability in the east. Our focus continues to be maintaining a balanced solution to CSS requirements in the eastern and western AO.

1FSSG acknowledges the sacrifice of LCpl Levi T. Angell, CSSB 1. KIA 8 April 2004, Abu Gharyb, Iraq.

• **Actions during previous 24 hours:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> FSSG received 1 KIA today during an attack on a CSSB-1 convo on MSR Mobile. Convoy was returning from BIAP retrieving repair parts for LAVs ISO Vigilant Resolve.
- CSSG-11 completed movement of 231 ICDC soldiers and 2 U S Special Forces to 1/5 and 2/1 BP.
- Conducted one ammunition ground push to Ramadi for 2/4 and one to Fallujah for 2/1.
- CSSG-15 is scheduled to transport RCT-1 basic load of ammunition and Class VIII to Camp Fallujah tonight.
- CSSG-15 transported replacement SecReps for 1<sup>st</sup> MarDiv communications equipment to Camp Fallujah and is scheduled to deliver additional communications requirements tomorrow.
- 120 En Bn continues work on the ICDC Camp at Baharia, focusing on billeting and the dining facility.
- H&S Bn transferred (1) detainee to 1-34 for transport to Manhattan and transported the remaining (3) detainees via convoy back to the site of capture on ASR San Juan.
- The detainee facility currently being constructed is able to accept detainees.
- TQ Mortuary Affairs Det received and processed (2) Angels, (1) from 2/4 and (1) from Recon Bn. The Angels were transported to Al Asad today awaiting follow on movement to KCIA/TMEP.
- Al Asad Mortuary Affairs Det received and processed (1) Angel from 1/5 and (3) Civilians.
- Current ordnance disposal report from Site 302 is 126.7 tons staged, 24 tons demilled today
- 3/24 has increased its presence at the TCPs at Taqaddum, placing the QRF in closer proximity IOT expedite responses.
- Three 122mm rounds impacted inside the wire at Taqaddum at approximately 1536. One WIA transported to S/STP.

• MEG

- **Commander's Assessment:** As the overall operation environment changes, Seabees will adapt and move forward ISO IMEF's evolving approach to the threats and challenges we collectively face. Marines, SEALs, and Seabees are clearly where they belong and are taking this fight to those who chose to terrorize free Iraqis and to attack the Coalition Forces who liberated and now defend them. We have no option but to win this fight as quickly as possible. And after "investing lead," we must then quickly and properly "invest

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gold” to train and employ young Iraqi men and to rebuild Iraqi communities – key elements in achieving a secure and democratic Iraq and a safer world. I will depart the theater for a short period on 4/10 after visiting Al Asad tomorrow. In my absence, Commodore Mark Handley will be the acting IMEG Commander.

- **Actions during previous 24 hours:**

- TF-E “A-Det” began grading of SOF compound at Camp Baharia. Cleared and graded lay-down area, dug burn pit, began dust abatement.
- TF-T began planning to move MB into IZ o/a 12 Apr vice 17 Apr, IOT complete force closure for MEG sooner.
- TF-T CULT convoy was rescheduled to 9 Apr.
- MEG FWD coordinated design of a multi-purpose building by ICE-T for MEG Main OICC Project Team as a shelf design for future use.
- MEG FWD provided project management database to MEG Main project team for comment and updated spreadsheet with additional information as provided.
- MEG FWD solicited rehabilitation of courthouse located in Hit via email to prospective bidders.
- MEG FWD met w/ Al Anbar University representative to coordinate an increase in developing design documents, site assessments and final project inspections. Assigned 14 Army Legacy projects to ICE-T for QC inspection.
- MEG FWD Det Al Asad continued preparing cost estimate and bid documents for the anti-vehicle trench. USMC will initiate the project w/ military labor and equipment (non-Seabee), and contract remaining portions.
- MEG FWD Det Al Asad continued scope development and cost estimate for a new taxiway expansion for the airfield. 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW was unavailable today to conduct a site assessment.
- OICC/PST Fallujah visited Baharia w/ 2/1 Marines and conducted ICDC Camp site assessments.
- OICC/PST Fallujah developed post Operation Vigilant Resolve CMO program recommendations for 1st MARDIV/I MEF - awaiting concurrence.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG

- **Commander’s Assessment:** 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG is coordinating with 1<sup>st</sup> FSSG to conduct a recon for possible DC camp locations within the next 24-48 hours.
- US Army 350th CA Brigade Civil Affairs planners assist in planning for potential DC Camp.
- No Displaced Civilians have been officially reported in the AO during the past 24 hours.
- In accordance with CA doctrine and MEF guidance, 1<sup>st</sup> RCT is actively encouraging Fallujahians in its area of operations to return home.
- Radm Kubic Commander Naval Construction Div briefed in I MEF COC by 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG Watch Officer, and 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG XO on special topic of the status of railroads in the I MEF AO.
- Just received word at 1913D that 1st MarDiv GX has been disbanded to constitute a Division FSCC. Civil Affairs will now fall under (b)(3) USC 130b, (b) (6) (With (b)(3) USC 130b, (b) (6)) still at Ar Ramadi.)

- **Overview**

- **1MARDIV:** (b) (6) met with MajGen Mattis to discuss the situations in Fallujah and Ramadi. CMOC handled 3 detainee inquiries, 1 employment inquiry, 1

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referral, 1 appointment kept, and 1 appointment made. GX representatives met with 1 BCT who identified larger and more substantial infrastructure related issues (water supply, sanitation, and transportation) that will require funding in the \$100K - \$1,000K range. These projects reflect the degraded infrastructure of the urban area that comprises 1BCT AO.

- **RCT-1:** No report received.
- **1/1 BCT:** 1/16 Civil Affairs team attempted to deliver school supplies to specific teachers who had requested the supplies. Enroute, a child was seen with what appeared to be an AK-47, which turned out to be a toy gun. (b)(3) USC 130b, (b) (6) explained that CF might not be able to tell the difference and it was dangerous to play with them. CF took the toy gun and replaced it with Frisbees. 1 3/11 vs An-Nukhayb soccer tournament held.
- **RCT-7:** 3/7 CA team met with chief judges and lawyers in the AO. 2/7 received 7.62 ammunition along with 300 chocolate chip uniforms and 700 bayonets. The delivery of the ammunition and uniforms is still yet to be determined.

### Civil Affairs Assessment for AO

IAW FRAGO 440	Water	Power	Fuel	Hospital/Medical	Public Safety
Al Fallujah	Amber	Red*	Amber	Green	Red *
Al Iskandariyah	Amber	Red*	Amber	Green	Amber
Al Mahmudiyah	Amber	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
Al Lutafiyah	Amber	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
Al Karmah	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
Nassir Wa Al Salaam	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
Al Haswah	Red *	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
Jurf Al Sakhr	Red *	Red*	Amber	Amber	Red*
Al Ameriyah	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red *
Al Habbaniyah	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
Ar Ramadi	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
Hit	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
Haditha	Green	Green	Green	Green	Amber
Al Qaim	Green	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
Ar Rutbah/Al Waleed/Tenif	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber

**\*Water: Red** – The water situation in *Haswah*, and *Jurf Al Sakhr* is rated as poor. While water production is Green, water distribution is Red. *Jurf Al Sakhr* has a water purifier but it is in severe disrepair and distribution is substandard. *Iskadariyah* and *Haswah* receive some water but many areas do not receive enough water pressure to support the homes. The villages must drink water directly from the canals that are filthy. There is little power to run the pump stations and insufficient piping to all neighborhoods. The pipe that does exist is old broke and allows seepage; sewage lines are similar which has caused the drinking water to become contaminated.

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**\*Power: Red** –The power situation in *Iskandariyah*, *Fallujah* and *Jurf Al Sakh*, has been found to be poor. Many areas of the towns operate with less than 12 hours of power daily. Other areas are receiving only 2-4 hours of local power and as a result, neighborhoods share power. Businesses or factories will use the power for several hours during the day and then shift to home use at night. Some wealthier homes/businesses have generators that grant 24/7 power, however this is the exception.

**\*Public Safety: Red** – Police in *Fallujah* and *Jurf Al Sakhr* lack proper background investigations, training, weapons, and vehicles. No leadership accountability, heavily influenced by tribal leaders, police not performing basic police functions, townspeople lack respect for police. Police in *Al Ameriyah* are ill trained and ill equipped and have noted that if they are seen working with the Coalition, they may be at risk of harm.

- **Critical Commodity Areas**

- FUELS: NSTR
- POWER:
  - The 400KV line from the Hadithah Dam hydroelectric station to Baghdad is completed. Engineers will run tests prior to full integration into the national grid.
  - CPA has turned over authority for electricity to the Iraqi Ministry of Electricity.
- WATER: NSTR
- LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNANCE: NSTR
- ECONOMY: NSTR
- PUBLIC HEALTH:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG is preparing to send an LNO to the Royal Jordanian Army hospital before midnight as the dark of the moon permits.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG Surgeon & party visit to the Jordanian hospital. Hospital director indicates that they have adequate medical supplies, but have requested blood donor kits. We are working This issue is being coordinated thru the IMEF Surgeon's office.
  - Civil Affairs assessments of Fallujah hospital, which is in friendly territory, is underway.
- AGRICULTURE: NSTR
- EDUCATION: NSTR
- SANITATION: NSTR

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## 3. Last 24 Hours

- Significant Events

**081641DAPR04** Police Station in Yusufiyah Seized, Re-taken by 2/2

F Co., 2/2 received small arms and indirect fires, vic grid 38SMB400484. 2/2 received reports that an armed crowd went to the Yousufiyah Police Station and demanded that the police clear out. The enemy then seized the station, took weapons and radios, and released all prisoners. 2/2 responded to the call. They cordoned the police station and assaulted. At 081650D APR 04, F Co. reported the fight was over. No friendly WIA or KIA. No reported enemy BDA.

**081630DAPR2004** Army convoy with KBR attacked with SAF vic Iskandariyah (4) WIA

Army convoy with KBR attached was attacked with small arms in the vicinity of Iskandariyah (MB 421394) (4) WIA.

**081610DAPR2004** CSSB-1 convoy enroute from BIAP to Fallujah attacked with RPG and small arms fire (1) KIA

Convoy from CSSB-1 was en route from BIAP to Fallujah when it was attacked IVO grid 38SMB3073676550. Attackers were 7-8 shooters. (1) Marine KIA from shrapnel wound to head from RPG. Convoy arrived in Fallujah at 1400 local. SNM pronounced deceased at 1405.

**081400DAPR2004** 2/1 reports engagement with trapped enemy unit (3.7km N of Fallujah and 2km from MSR mobile). (1) KIA, (2) WIA, (2) EKIA

2/1 reported enemy fighters who appeared to be trapped in a palm grove against the river. 2/1 deployed tanks and dismounts. At grid 38slb896964, tanks reported additional enemy personnel trapped in buildings and attempting to low crawl away. At approx 1530d, civilians were seen moving out of the nearby village area to avoid the fight. This is the same village from which other attacks have taken place and where a weapons cache has been found. The area was swept by dismounts. This engagement north of cp84 concluded with at least two (2), but probably (4) EKIA. Total reported friendly losses for 2/1 as of 081900d Apr 04: (1) FKIA, (2) FWIA (1 minor).

**081021DAPR2004** 1-16 In reported (2) RPG rnds fired at (2)CH-46s vic Ar Ramadi

1-16 In while in the vicinity of Ar Ramadi observed (2) RPG rnds fired from (lb340000), at a flight of (2) CH-46s

**071702DAPR2004** 1-34 reports civilian contractors ambush (vic Khalidiyah) (1) CIV KIA (3) CIV WIA

1-34 Ar Scouts report (9) contractors from a civilian company named Erinys. They had been ambushed by small arms fire and RPGs at LB755995. The contractors reported that prior to ambush they had been traveling east in four Chevy Suburbans towards Fallujah on Highway 1 when a Marine TCP turned them around. The contractors moved back west and were attempting to find another route when they were ambushed. The contractors reported two of their Suburbans caught on fire. The other two Suburbans fled the area. The eight males and one female contractor then walked to the Thar Thar Canal Bridge.

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**071643DAPR2004 B/1<sup>st</sup>** Forecon reports contact ivo ASR Boston 38s Lb 799 855 (1) KIA, (4) WIA, (7) EKIA

Recon Bn B Co contact with unknown number of ACF. ACF were using RPK's, AK-47's, US M-4's, hand grenades, RPG's and indirect fire. Engagement fire was coming from dwellings NNW side of ASR Boston IVO 38S LB 799 855. B Co. 3rd Plt and Bn Hq (with Bn CO) depart camp Fallujah at 1715 as QRF. At 1755 CASEVAC pick up for 5 friendly WIA to transport to TQ. At 1704 QRF was linked up with B Co, more enemy fire was received at linkup. RWCAS destroyed the truck with crew served weapon and the building from which fire was coming from. At 1830 B Co, rein with the QRF, disengage and proceed back to Camp Fallujah. 7 confirmed enemy KIA.

• Patrol Report (data for 7 April)

UNIT	RAIDS  CORDON AND SEARCHES		PATROLS								DUTY CASUALTIES				CAPTURED	ATKS AGAINST COALITON	
			COALITION ONLY				TOTAL	JOINT		TOTAL	COALITION		ENEMY				
			DAY MOUNTED	DAY DISMOUNTED	NIGHT MOUNTED	NIGHT DISMOUNTED		JOINT WITH IPS	JOINT WITH ICDC		ICDC ONLY	KIA	WIA	KIA			WIA
1MARDIV	0	3	7	6	9	9	31	4	9	44	0	3	15	17	5	40	9
1FSSG	0	0	6	0	7	0	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 MHG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3MAW	0	0	2	1	1	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	3	15	7	17	9	48	4	9	56	0	0	0	0	5	4	9

• Caches Discovered in Last 24 Hours

Location	Contents	Guarded	Evac'd	Destroyed
LB848863	One hundred (100) x anti-aircraft rounds and (8) x anti-aircraft guns were found at the site.		XX	
37S ES 9835 6373	(100) 150mm artillery shells			XX
38SLB874904 and 38SLB874905	300 RPG rounds, 50x 122mm rockets and suicide bomber vests			XX

• Counterfire Missions Last 24 Hours

Event	Number
Number of Verified Acquisitions	69
Number of Counterfire Missions	0

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- Number of Incidents

	# Anti-coalition Demonstrations	# Violent Anti-coalition Demonstrations	# Attacks Against Iraqi Police	# Incidents of Ethnic Violence	# Ops Hindered by Actions of Iraqi Populace
Incidents	3	1	0	0	0

#### 4. Future Ops

- I MEF Future Ops activities -

I MEF continued support of 1st MARDIV cordon and combat operations to defeat ACF concentrations in Fallujah and Ramadi. Over the next 48 hours, I MEF will support 1st MARDIV in their operations against HVTs and ACF cells throughout the MNF-W AO, preparations to provide route security ISO the Arbaeen Pilgrimage, and potential operations against the Mahdi Army. The 36th ICDC Battalion has completed integration and is participating in 1MarDiv combat operations to defeat ACF in Fallujah.

- RCT-1: Continue Fallujah ops reinforced by the arrival of a 3d Marine infantry Bn. Continue integration of ICDC into checkpoints and urban combat. Increased combat power will allow for enhanced ops in the city with focused raids and combat patrols. 2/2 and 1-32 continue Arbaeen security ops in support of ISF leads. Closely watch Mahdi army and are prepared to take offensive action against any that show themselves in N Babil.
  - Conduct stage II of operation vigilant resolve with raids on selected targets in the NW and SE sector of Fallujah.
  - 3/4 will be integrated into Fallujah Ops-this will greatly enhance the combat power of the RCT.
  - 3/4 will move to Camp Fallujah, conduct briefs and rehearsals, and estab TAA's vic NE corner of the city. When fully integrated into RCT-1 with all men and equipment, and familiar with the AO after conducting focused raids and combat patrols in sector- atk west in the NE corner of Fallujah.
  - Joint IP / ICDC checkpoints maintained in and around the city of Fallujah. 1/5 and 2/1 maintain task org of 2 x Co's apiece of 36th ICDC Bn, and continue to integrate them into the CONOPs as their performance permits.
  - 2/2 and 1-32 continues to closely monitor reported locations and actions of (b) (6) Mahdi army.
  - Bns will immediately engage Mahdi army units that show themselves.
  - ADC and small command element move to N Babil to assume command and coordinate the div's effort in that volatile region.
- BCT: 2/4 conducts targeted raids against Ali Al Ubaydi (OGA and MarDiv target) at 090400(D) Apr04 to disrupt religious support for the insurgency. Army MP's and 506<sup>th</sup> ICDC assume responsibility for blocking positions IOT free USMC and 36<sup>th</sup> ICDC for offensive ops. Continues to support RCT-1 and RCT-7 with fixed site security at the Thar Thar Bridge and engineer cache site exploitation.
  - 2/4 conducts Op Country Fair II at 080400(D) Apr04 to detain (b) (6).
  - Following (b) (6) detention, 2/4 will continue the op with a Bn level neighborhood cordon and search of area northeast of the mosque.

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- Execute "Op Unforgiven" (~8Apr) vic Ar Ramadi to kill/capture foreign fighters associated with Ansar Al Islam and Al Qaeda.
- Conduct ops against Ar Ramadi mosques that supported ACF activity during the 06Apr engagement IAW division FragO.
- RCT-7: Continuation of TF Hood VCPs and additional raids from intel gathered from interrogation of network prisoners. Pursuit phase continues. Commencement of "tobacco road"/Kubaysah ops that will approach the interdiction effort from an unexpected direction.
  - Completes deployment of 3/4 to Fallujah on 08Apr 04.
  - Conducts exploitation phase of RCT HVT op with particular focus on the interdiction of Syrian border crossings, complete interdiction of Euphrates LOC's with boats in the water, offensive ops in north/south RSA's, and precise offensive ops vic Akashat, Ar Rutbah, Kubaysah and Hit.
  - RCT has initiated (RCT-7 FragO 0039-04) AO wide measures to strictly control (via TCPs & VCPs) all land and water LOCs ISO RCT-1 ops
  - Additionally, Syrian border POEs will most likely remain closed until further notice.
  - Conducting mission planning for upcoming RCT-7 tobacco road interdiction op.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW
  - VMGR-352 FCFs/DASC (A) for RCT /assault support standby
  - HMM-466 - night MARLOG/TRAP QRF/2h mass CAS stby iso VR
  - HMM-465 - MARLOG day AA/2hr mass CAS stby iso VR
  - HMM-161 - FCFs/30 min CASEVAC TQ/60 min CASEVAC/VIP
  - HMM-261 - FCFs/TRAP/QRF stand by AA/GS 60 TQ/GS 6hr TQ/GS 2hr TQ
  - HMM-764 - FCFs/30/60 MIN CASEVAC TQ/CMC lift TQ Blue Diamond HQ, AA, and Al Fallujah.
  - HMLA-167 - strip alert Al Qaim Korean Village
  - HMLA-775 - FCFs/15/30 min strip TQ
- 1<sup>st</sup> FSSG
  - 1<sup>st</sup> FSSG continues to execute operations in support of Vigilant Resolve.
  - CSSG 11 is working support packages to insure 3/4 is supported upon their arrival TACON to RCT 1.
  - Will initiate assessment of availability of MREs and bottled water IOT ensure continued Class I support to MEF forces in the event that contracted food capability is diminished.
  - H&S BN and 120 En Bn continue to improve the detainee holding site here at Taqaddum. 120 En Bn scheduled to complete RIP with CSSB 7 at CEA Site 302 NLT 9 Apr.
  - 120 En Bn CEA assessment team scheduled to complete assessment of Site 114 on 10 Apr.
  - Anticipate starting assessment of site 111 on 12 Apr.
  - 3/24 will assist 1MarDiv in increasing a presence on MSR Michigan along our northern boundary.
  - Patrols with the capability of placing and snapping TCPs will be run from the 65 easting to the 75 easting.

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- MEG
  - MEG FWD to receive and evaluate bids for two road projects in Ar Ramadi.
  - MEG FWD to prepare contract packages and potentially advertise two projects for rehabilitation of courthouses at Annah and Hadithah.
  - MEG FWD prepare 1149s and 44s for payments of 10 active projects on 10 April.
  - MEG FWD Det Al Asad representatives, to depart Al Asad for Ar Rutbah IOT conduct ICDC/IBP site assessments in coordination w/RCT-7.
  - MEG FWD Det Al Asad will continue scope development and cost estimates for anti-vehicle trench, ASP fence and aircraft taxiway expansion.
  - MEG FWD Det Al Asad will continue to assist the 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW in developing a project for the Al Asad Market.
  - MEG FWD Det Al Asad compile contractor database and meet w/stakeholders to facilitate future contract actions.
  - MEG FWD Det Al Asad to discuss funding procedures with 3d MAW.
  - OICC/PST Fallujah conducting indirect fire survivability assessment for structures on board camp Fallujah.
  - OICC/PST Fallujah developing scope and requirements document for ICDC Camp at Baharia.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> CAG
  - Continue planning for Vigilant Resolve. Daily assessment briefings to CG at COC.

#### 5. Major Unit Locations

Unit	Location	Grid
I MEF CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
MEG CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div CP	Camp Blue Diamond HQ	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
RCT 7 CP	Camp Al Asad	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
RCT 1 CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1/1 BCT	Camp Ar Ramadi	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
3 <sup>rd</sup> MAW	Camp Al Asad	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
3 <sup>rd</sup> MAW	Camp Taqaddum	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1 <sup>st</sup> FSSG CP	Camp Taqaddum	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
CSSG-15	Camp Taqaddum	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
CSSG-11	Camp Blue Diamond HQ	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)

#### 6. Combat Power (Air)

AH-1W	UH-1N	CH-46E	CH-53E	KC-130F	RQ-2B
34/22	18/13	35/30	24/13	6/5	8/7
64%	72%	85%	71%	83%	88%

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## Combat Power (Ground) (USMC)

HMMWV TOW	HMMWV HARDBACK	AAV FOV	LAV FOV	TANK COMBAT	HOWZITZER M198
98/89	367/339	39/37	118/92	16/16	18/18
91%	92%	95%	78%	100%	100%

## Combat Power (Ground) (Army)

M1/A1/A2	M2/A1/A2	M1064	M109A6	SCOUT HMMWV
14/13	30/29	8/7	6/6	128122
93 %	96%	88%	100%	93%

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